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### SHUG'S DERBY TICKET

Stuart S. Janney III and Phipps Stable's **Orb** (Malibu Moon) will bring a three-race winning streak to the table for Saturday's GI Besilu Stables Florida Derby at Gulfstream Park. Trained by Hall of Famer Shug McGaughey, Orb put it all together in his latest, rallying smartly into a wicked early pace to reel in heavily favored Violence (Medaglia d'Oro) in the GI Besilu Stables Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 23. Orb can punch his ticket to the GI Kentucky Derby with another solid performance this weekend.



**Shug McGaughey**  
Adam Coglianese

"We're excited about the opportunity of this weekend that hopefully Orb will run well enough to take us [to the Derby], but if he doesn't, we're not running [in the Derby] to be

an also ran," McGaughey revealed during yesterday's NTRA Media Teleconference. "We're hoping to see a good race out of him. It doesn't have to be a winning race, but we're running to win. If he shows us that he's going forward and makes a good run, we'll see what happens from there."

Orb tipped his hand at first asking at Saratoga with a visually impressive third-place finish behind the aforementioned GI CashCall Futurity hero after badly blowing the early break. He needed a couple more starts to come into his own, and earned his diploma going a mile at fourth asking at the Big A Nov. 24 in a field that included the highly-regarded Revolutionary (War Pass). Orb appreciated the stretch to two turns and addition of Lasix in his sophomore bow going nine furlongs at Gulfstream Jan. 26, and has been training lights-out since his Fountain of Youth tally. He worked four furlongs in :48 1/5 at Payson Mar. 25 in his final tune-up for the Florida Derby.

"The horse that won the Fountain of Youth is not the same horse that I'm even seeing today," McGaughey warned. "I hope he hasn't peaked yet, and I think he's going in the right direction. I was very pleased with his work [Monday]. Physically, he's a lot further along now than he even was when we ran him in the Fountain of Youth."

McGaughey continued, "One of the things that I like to see is the improvement that this horse has made over the last two or three months. Between his pedigree and running style, he's a horse that's going to get the distance. He'll relax no matter what's going on in the race, slow pace, fast pace, etc, and he'll be wherever the rider wants him to be." **Cont. p3**

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### MEANDRE SOLD

Ramzan Kadyrov has purchased G1 Dubai World Cup hopeful **Meandre (Fr)**



**Meandre on the track Monday morning**  
Neville Hopwood, Dubai Racing Club

(Slickly {Fr}) in a private deal, according to our sister publication *Jour de Galop*. Breeder and former owner Edouard de Rothschild confirmed the news, but refused to be drawn into details of the transaction. The 5-year-old grey, who annexed the 2011 G1 Grand Prix de Paris

and last term's G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud and Grosse Preis von Berlin, will remain in the care of conditioner Andre Fabre for Saturday's 10-furlong contest. Meandre will be making his first start since a third-place effort in the G1 Hong Kong Cup Dec. 9.

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*Andrew Watkins, Dubai Racing Club*

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**SHUG'S DERBY TICKET (cont. from p1)**



**Orb**  
*Courtney Heeney*

one to catch Derby fever. He's only saddled six horses throughout his brilliant career on the First Saturday of May, and none since Saarland (Unbridled) finished 10th at 6-1 in 2002. McGaughey, of course, tightened the girth on the great Easy Goer (Alydar) to second-place finishes behind arch-rival Sunday Silence

(Halo) in the 1989 Derby and GI Preakness S. before turning the tables with a tour-de-force in the GI Belmont S.

"One of the reasons is that we bring our horses along a little slower," McGaughey offered of his lack of participation in the Derby. "A lot of guys make it their goal to get to the Derby and we really don't do it that way. I want to get there, but I want the horse to take me."



**Shanghai Bobby Set to Take on Florida Derby...**

**Shanghai Bobby** (Harlan's Holiday) is set to try his hand at a longer distance in the 1 1/8-mile GI Besilu Stables Florida Derby Mar. 30. He came off his championship 2-year-old season undefeated with wins in the GI Champagne S. Oct. 6 and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile S. Nov. 3. The bay colt began his 3-year-old season with a second to **Itsmyluckyday** (Lawyer Ron) in the GIII Holy Bull S. Jan. 26.

Jack Wolf, founder of Starlight Racing, said Shanghai Bobby had no excuses in the Holy Bull.

"The other horse [Itsmyluckyday] brought it to him [Shanghai Bobby] and beat us fair and square," said Wolf. "Was I disappointed? Sure. Did I think we would win? Of course I did. I have a great deal of respect for Itsmyluckyday. He is a great horse and it was a great race."

Conditioner Todd Pletcher chalked up the loss to a bad trip. "Last time from an inside post we felt like we had to commit to getting some position early on and we ended up on the lead," he commented. "We were kind of pressed by Clearly Now (Horse Greeley), who came back to win the Hutcheson, and Itsmyluckyday got sort of the garden trip. He was right there stalking us the whole way, so maybe if there's a post position change, we can swap positions with him." **Cont. p4**

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**Shanghai Bobby Set to Take on Florida Derby cont.**

Pletcher continued, "He came out of the Fountain of Youth really well. The plan all along was to run him in the Holy Bull and give him a good rest. The reason we



**Shanghai Bobby**  
*Horsephotos*

did that was that it seemed to work really well for him as a 2-year-old. He ran quite a few times last year, but they weren't too close together. We're trying to repeat that pattern this year, and hopefully it works out."

Saturday's race will be Shanghai Bobby's

first time going over 1 1/16 miles and many question whether he can handle the longer distance. He is the first offspring out of the 6 1/2-furlong stakes winning mare Steelin' (Orientate).

"You look at his pedigree on the bottom side, it would suggest distance running limitations," said Wolf. "I think the type of heart and determination this horse has shown will give us a shot. If after this race it looks like distance is a factor, there are a lot of races at seven and eight furlongs. We just have to wait and see until after this."

Shanghai Bobby is currently 12th in the Derby ranking with 24 points. If he gains enough points and proves he can handle the distance, he will run for the roses in May.

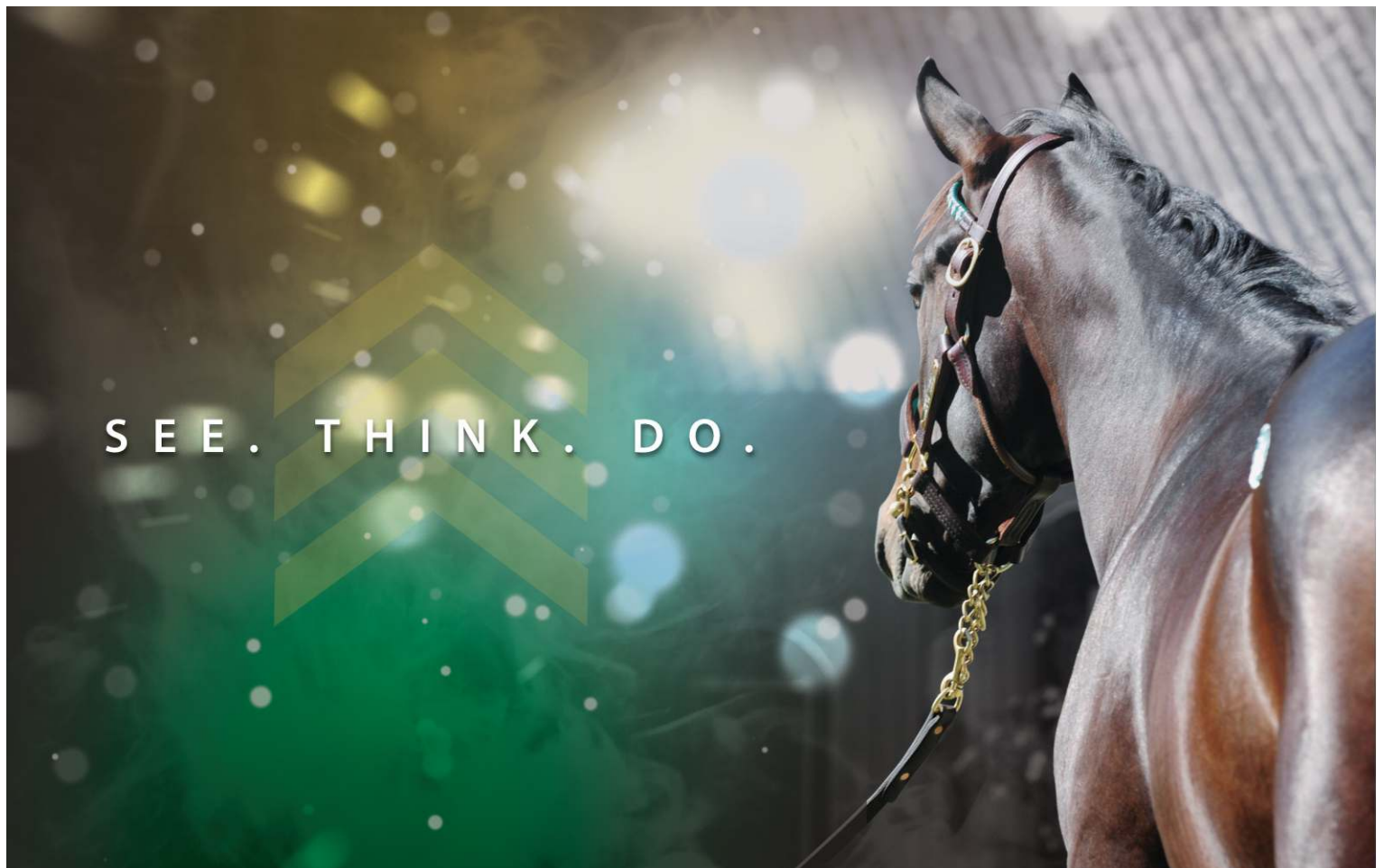
"He has matured coming into his 3-year-old season," said Wolf. "His first race at three was his best by the numbers. A lot can be told by his next race, but I am happy about where he is right now. If he has enough points and the challenge of distance is not that much of a factor in Saturday's race, then I would see no reason why we would not run him in the Kentucky Derby."

Jockey Rosie Napravnik, who has ridden Shanghai Bobby in all of his starts, is credited with being important in the horse's development.

"She has been on our horse every race," said Wolf. "I think with someone different riding in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile, we would have had a different result. I think she has been very important and we hope she will continue to choose to ride this horse going forward."

Shanghai Bobby has been a bit forgotten with horses such as **Orb** (Maibu Moon) and **Verrazano** (More Than Ready) currently taking up the Derby limelight. His odds in the third Derby Futures pool closed at 18-1.

"People have put him on the back burner and maybe rightly so. Hopefully they will be proven wrong in Saturday's race," said Wolf. "My expectations are as high as they have always been. I look at it as a benefit that hopefully the horse's odds will be high."





**Late Triple Crown Nominees to Start in Louisiana Derby...**

Departing (War Front), Sunbean (Brahms), Brazilian Court (Harlan's Holiday) and Hip Four Sixtynine (Southern Image), four late nominations to the 2013 Triple Crown by last weekend's deadline, are set for the GI Louisiana Derby Saturday. "Some people nominate all their horses to the Triple Crown right away, but we don't do that," said Al Stall Jr., trainer of Claiborne Farm and Adele Dilschneider's Departing and Brittlyn Stable's Sunbean. "We waited until we thought these two horses were ready to take the next step and now we think they are ready to do that. Everything is looking good for both our horses on Saturday so we'll keep our fingers crossed."

"Some people have said we might be biting off a little more than we can chew," said Bobby Barnett, conditioner of Hip Four Sixtynine. "But our colt is coming up to this race Saturday the right way."



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**Animal Kingdom Looks World Cup Ready...**

By Pat Cummings, DubaiRaceNight.com

Tuesday's trackwork at Meydan was held in significantly cooler conditions than Monday, which was



**Animal Kingdom**  
*Andrew Watkins*

humid early and actually saw some drizzle later in the day. We like to identify a single horse that makes the most striking impression each day, and today it was **Animal Kingdom**

(Leroidesanimaux {Brz}). The Kentucky Derby winner galloped a slow lap with his head tilted right and was then asked for more significant work the second

time around, galloping 600 meters in :36.24 according to the Dubai Racing Club's Jim Cornes.

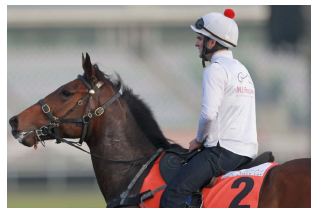
G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen chance **Frederick Engels (GB)** (Iceaman {GB}), drawn on the rail in that race, galloped two laps with trainer John Moore looking on. Moore later said that he was quite pleased with the rail draw in the race, which will only be his charge's second lifetime start on all-weather.

Dale Romans, who has two top chances with **Little Mike** (Spanish Steps) and **Dullahan** (Even the Score), seems continually pleased with his time in Dubai. "I really think I'm going to bring 20 horses out here," says the reigning American champion trainer. He caught up with Meydan's Manager of Equine Media Relations Tony Terry while watching Dullahan jog on Tuesday morning. The two were joking about watching horses work together in the middle of the desert--both Romans and Terry are the product of Suda E. Butler High School in Shively, Kentucky, adjoining Louisville. Romans was keen to note that Terry walked the halls several years before Romans did, but the "who would've thought it" amused them both.



A winner of the Turf Publicists of America's prestigious Big Sport of Turfdom Award, Romans lived up to the billing, generously giving his time to the global media.

Dullahan jogged a lap of the main course while Little Mike did the same on the training track.

**Mr. Big (Aus)** (Elusive Quality), never out of the top three, will go in the G1 Al Quoz Sprint for Singapore-based Michael Freedman. He had his first spin of the all-weather and has done nothing but please Freedman since arrival. "I'm quite happy with the draw, which seems to be a good spot," Freedman said. cont. p7



**Mr. Big**  
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**Dubai World Cup cont.**

“He’s had nothing but barrier trials at home, but went very well about 10 days ago and has him just right,” continued Freedman. In that morning trial over Polytrack at Kranji, Mr. Big “beat” the second home by 7 1/4 lengths in a time of 1:00.32, under absolutely no urging. For perspective, the time, tracked from the break of the gate unlike traditional American workouts, was the fastest of 26 on the day, and 1.21 seconds faster than the next-fastest.



**Trade Storm**  
Andrew Watkins

G2 UAE Derby hope **Elleval (Ire)** (Kodiak {GB}) galloped in close attendance with G1 Dubai Duty Free ante-post international favorite and G2 Zabeel Mile winner **Trade Storm (GB)** (Trade Fair {GB}), with both going steady and under little urging. Cornes caught them finish some stronger speed

work with a 200-meter segment in :11.40 seconds. This presumably says more about Elleval given longshot status in the Derby.

**Planteur (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) had his first spin of Meydan since going third in the 2012 G1 Dubai World Cup, and now racing for new owner, Qatar’s Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al Thani. He showed pace in his final prep and might go to take up the running for trainer Marco Botti considering how successful that leg-stretcher proved.

A septet of French runners walked a lap together with some getting some more time, but without any noteworthy behavior.

America’s **Royal Delta** (Empire Maker) is consistent through four days at Meydan, repeating the same actions in striking similar form. She emerges at the gap, is led onto the course by an outrider, starts acting in a playful manner at the midpoint of the first turn walking the wrong way, kicks out slightly and then breaks into a gallop for Rodolphe Brisset. There is a chance the two-time GI Breeders’ Cup Ladies’ Classic winner records some speed work later this week.

Later on Tuesday, the Emirates Racing Authority issued a press release stating that Al Quoz Sprint contender **Eagle Regiment (Aus)** (El Moxie) had an issue with his left fore hoof, which is being treated and has improved.

International horses are given an opportunity to school at Meydan on Tuesday evening and many are likely to appreciate, as horses are vanned over and given chances in the massive paddock, the tunnel system, and the walking ring before vanning back to the quarantine. Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 local time, the draw for the 2013 Dubai World Cup will occur in a ceremony at Meydan’s IMAX theatre.

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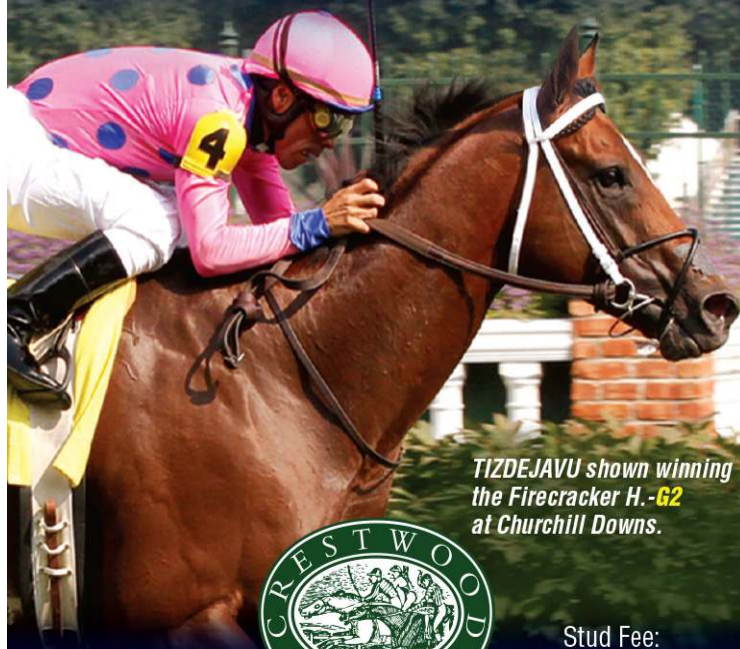
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# NEWS TODAY

## Rachel Alexandra Returns to Stonestreet Farm...

2009 Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia d'Oro) was released from the Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital yesterday and returned to her home at Stonestreet Farm. "Having Rachel home is a milestone in her recovery," said Stonestreet's Barbara Banke. "I am deeply grateful to Drs. Woodie, Barr, Reed and the entire Rood and Riddle team for the unparalleled care Rachel has received. A



Rachel Alexandra returns home  
Stonestreet Farm

special thank you to Alex Riddle for keeping Rachel's fans updated on her progress and to Medicine Technician Brent Comer for his dedication to her care."

Rachel Alexandra was sent to the Rood and Riddle Hospital for surgery to repair a section of her small colon that was damaged when foaling a Bernardini filly Feb. 12.

"This time of transition is a big step, as well as an added stress in her recovery from a very serious, life-threatening condition," Dr. Barr said. "We feel, however, that she is ready to take on this challenge, and in doing so, she takes the next step toward getting back to life on the farm."

Rachel Alexandra will slowly return to her normal life on the farm. Stonestreet has said that she will initially be hand grazed, transition to turn-out in a small pen when she is ready and gradually get turned out in a small paddock.

# RACETRACK ROUND-UP

## Larry Jones Comments on Monday Works...

GIII Mineshaft H. winner **Mark Valeski** (Proud Citizen) fired a five-panel bullet in :58.20 Monday morning at the Fair Grounds while preparing for a start in Saturday's GII New Orleans H. "Mark Valeski worked great despite the fact that he blew a shoe during the move or while he was coming back," commented trainer Larry Jones. "He did the same thing in last year's Louisiana Derby."

Jones also sent out **Blue Violet** (Curlin), who finished third behind Unlimited Budget (Street Sense) last time out in the GIII Rachel Alexandra S. Feb. 23. The filly, who is entered for Saturday's GII Fair Grounds Oaks, breezed four panels in 1:00.40. "Blue Violet worked in company with a colt named Hard Aces (Hard Spun)," explained Jones. "He's a nice colt that finished second by a length to [GII Rebel S. winner] Will Take Charge (Unbridled's Song) last fall at Keeneland. But every time that colt came to her, she just took off again."

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**RACES UPGRADED FOR 2013**

Race	Track	Change
Three Chimneys Hopeful (2yo)	SAR	Grade II to Grade I
Delaware H. (3yo/up, f/m)	DEL	Grade II to Grade I
Colonial Turf Cup (3yo/up)	CNL	Listed to Grade II
Ft. Lauderdale S. (3yo/up)	GP	Grade III to Grade II
Monrovia S. (3yo/up, f/m)	SA	Grade III to Grade II
Sorrento S. (2yo, f)	DMR	Grade III to Grade II
Arlington Classic S. (3yo)	AP	Listed to Grade III
Dania Beach S. (2yo)	GP	Listed to Grade III
Florida Oaks (3yo, f)	TAM	Listed to Grade III
Gallant Bob S. (3yo)	PRX	Listed to Grade III
Oklahoma Derby (3yo)	RP	Listed to Grade III
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**MIDNIGHT TRAIN**

Now there, you would think, is a sure-fire name for something by the new leading 2013 second-crop sire,



**Midnight Lute**  
 Sarah K Andrew

**Midnight Lute** (Real Quiet) ([click here](#)). Don't know, though: there is a 1993 Midnight Train, a mare by Red Ransom who won two races and \$89,000, is the dam of two black-type horses in New Jersey by the Nureyev horse Private Interview, and shows on Equineline as still being in production. So they may have to wait a while longer to

actually name one of them Midnight Train, but there's no mistaking the effect: with a \$520,000 black-type double at New Mexico's Sunland Park last Sunday--and those who saw the races seemed particularly impressed with the Sunland Oaks winner, Midnight Lucky--Hill 'n' Dale's two-time GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner, Midnight Lute, is now firmly on track as North America's hottest second-crop sire. His New Mexico double took his 2013 progeny earnings to \$1,088,000 and change, sending him over \$300,000 clear of the previous leader, Coolmore/Ashford's **Majestic Warrior** (A.P. Indy).

Midnight Lute's story has been well documented, especially in the February 23 *TDN* story ([click here](#)) which was referred to in Monday's coverage of the Sunland Park races and in Andrew Caulfield's Tuesday column. Mike Pegram's ownership team had bought his sire, Real Quiet, for only \$17,000 as a yearling in 1996, and Bob Baffert trained him to win the 1998 GI Kentucky Derby. Unfortunately he was just a moderate sire, and spent his last five seasons in Pennsylvania, where he died in 2010; his A Runner Index at the end of 2012 was 1.47. Pegram, I think, used the word "ironic" when talking about the second-generation success of the two colts by Midnight Lute out of daughters of Silverbulletday who are their sire's two graded stakes winners, GIII Sunland Derby winner Governor Charlie and Sunland fourth (but earlier GII San Vicente S. winner) Shakin It Up; but he might just as well used the word "typical." Silverbulletday was a champion and has only produced one winner, but two of her daughters have now produced graded winners.



**Governor Charlie**  
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Real Quiet himself wasn't a successful sire, but Midnight Lute, surely the best horse he sired, looks pretty hot as a sire right now. He now has four black-type winners (tied for the lead in this group with WinStar's **Spring At Last** and seven black-type horses, tied in that category with Majestic Warrior). Midnight Lute finished up strongly last year and was seventh on the 2012 *TDN* freshman sire list.

His only black-type winner last year was a filly called Midnight Ballet, who won the 1 1/16-mile Sharp Cat S. at Betfair Hollywood Park; interestingly, she is out of a mare by Unbridled's Song and is therefore inbred 4x4 to Fappiano--a trend I think we'll see a lot more of in American pedigrees, since Tapit, War Front, and Bernardini--arguably the three hottest young sires in America--are all out of Fappiano-line mares.

The beautifully-bred (by A.P. Indy, first two dams Grade I winners; 3x4 Secretariat, 4x4 Buckpasser) Majestic Warrior cost Coolmore a lot of money when they bought into him from the late George Steinbrenner's Kinsman Farm after he won the 2007 GI Hopeful S., and he never won a race for them. But he leads this crop by miles in number of runners (73) and winners (38). He has three black-type winners this year, including dual New York stakes winner Princess of Sylmar, and, as mentioned, is tied with Midnight Lute with seven black-type horses so far. Majestic Warrior was number four on the 2012 *TDN* freshman sire list and has now edged in front, by \$12,000 (through Monday) over Spendthrift's **Into Mischief** (Harlan's Holiday), sire of GII Jerome S. and GIII Gotham winner Vyjack and dual Grade III winner Goldencents (also second to Shanghai Bobby in the GI Champagne S. at two), to lead the second-crop cumulative list ([click here](#)). Midnight Lute is now up to a close third on the cumulative list, with Spring At Last (second on the 2012 freshman sire list) now fourth.

If you refer back to the Table of 2013 second-crop sires ([click here](#)), you'll see that Midnight Lute, Majestic Warrior, and Into Mischief are one-two-three on that list. Number four is the European sire **Raven's Pass**, and we'll look at him and the other European second-crop sires (now including Leading 2012 freshman sire **Henrythenavigator** and **New Approach**) in a minute. First, a few words about numbers 5-12 on the current second-crop list, all North American (cumulative ranking in parentheses; all these figures through Monday, so not including yesterday's racing). Two-time Horse of the Year and \$10.5-million earner **Curlin** is fifth in 2013 (8th cumulatively), with eight winners this year, three black-type horses, including Palace Malice, third in the GII Risen Star S. and pointing for Saturday's GII Louisiana Derby. Darley's **Street Boss** is sixth in progeny earnings, both in 2013 and overall, now with 28 winners from 63 runners. Four of those are black-type horses, including Capo Bastone, third in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

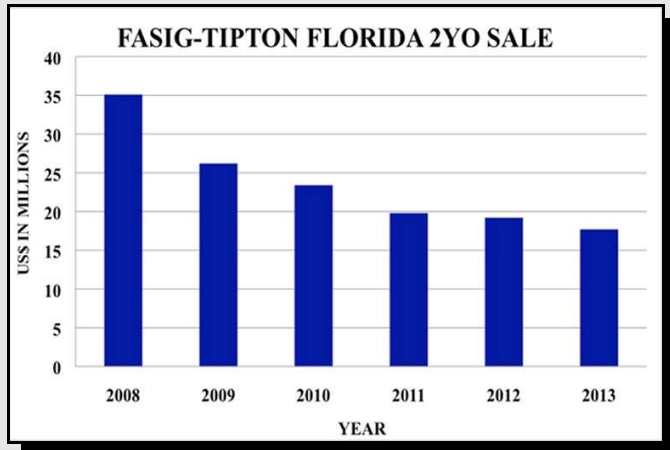
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**TDN WEEKLY SALES TICKER**  
by Bill Oppenheim



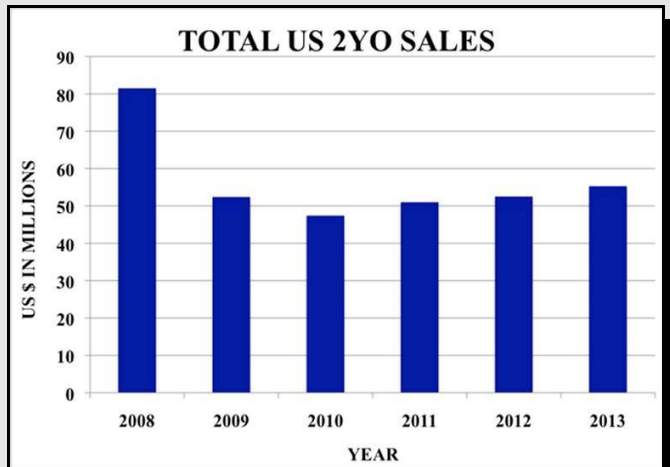
"The U.S. 2-year-old market so far: the boutique sales get tougher and smaller, and OBS sells everything but. The 2yo market to date is down a third from 2008 in numbers catalogued and sold (-29%), and gross (-32%), and is down 4% in average. The Fasig sale is down by 50% in all those metrics, though the average is up 12% compared to 2008. Only one of every three catalogued actually sold in the ring yesterday; very tough game."

- Bill Oppenheim



**FASIG-TIPTON FLORIDA 2YO SALE**

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2013	136	78	46	42.6%	59.0%	33.8%	\$17,725,000	\$385,326
2012	167	84	60	49.7%	71.4%	35.9%	\$19,215,000	\$320,250
2011	240	143	81	40.4%	56.6%	33.8%	\$19,832,000	\$244,840
2010	237	145	91	38.8%	62.8%	38.4%	\$23,430,000	\$257,473
2009	272	172	111	36.8%	64.5%	40.8%	\$26,151,000	\$235,595
2008	270	171	102	36.7%	59.6%	37.8%	\$35,100,000	\$344,118



**TOTAL US 2YO SALES AS OF MARCH 26, 2013**

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2013	619	406	289	34.4%	71.2%	46.7%	\$55,347,000	\$191,512
2012	678	449	316	33.8%	70.4%	46.6%	\$52,460,000	\$166,013
2011	836	536	380	35.9%	70.9%	45.5%	\$50,934,000	\$134,037
2010	712	482	326	32.3%	67.6%	45.8%	\$47,411,000	\$145,433
2009	919	611	367	33.5%	60.1%	39.9%	\$52,385,000	\$142,738
2008	921	649	408	29.5%	62.9%	44.3%	\$81,476,000	\$199,696

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



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The New York sire **Frost Giant**, winner of the 2008 GI Suburban H., was a surprise sixth among 2012 national freshman sires and has kept up the momentum (7th cumulatively), with two graded stakes horses this month: West Hills Giant was second to Vyjack in the Gotham at Aqueduct, and Giant Finish was third, last weekend, in the GIII Spiral S. at Turfway Park.

Number eight thus far in 2013 (12th overall) is **War Pass**, the undefeated and undisputed 2007 2-year-old champion, when he went 4-for-4, including running a Beyer 103 when winning the GI Champagne S. at Belmont, and a spectacular Beyer 113, by nearly five lengths over Pyro, in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile in the slop at Monmouth. He's sired three black-type winners, including Revolutionary, who came from the clouds to win the GIII Withers S., and is another going this weekend in the GII Louisiana Derby. Unfortunately, War Pass died after just two seasons at stud at Lane's End.

Ninth (10th overall) is Spendthrift's **Tiz Wonderful** (Tiznow), with 13 winners, including three black-type horses (two graded) this year. Next is Airdrie's **Divine Park**, the 2008 GI Met Mile winner by Chester House, the Juddmonte half-brother to Empire Maker who looked like he was going straight to the top, but he's another who had died by the time he had runners--I refer to Chester House. Divine Park (17th overall) is very much alive, and Airdrie is hoping he is going to carry on the legacy of Chester House; he does have 15 winners so far this year, second only to Majestic Warrior, and Airdrie has backed him with some pretty salty pedigrees, including a few they have in training themselves. Juddmonte themselves stand **First Defence**, by Unbridled's Song out of Honest Lady, a Grade I-winning Seattle Slew half-sister to Empire Maker and Chester House. He had the good Group 3-winning 2-year-old Dundonnell last year (trained in Europe by Roger Charlton), and has 12 winners so far this year (16th overall). The vibes are good about him too. Three Chimneys' **Big Brown** (Boundary), the 2008 GI Kentucky Derby winner, was, along with Curlin, one of the top commercial prospects of this sire group. He's in 12th spot on the second-crop sire list (13th overall), and is another who's getting good-looking performers at the good tracks. In particular, Darwin, a \$1.3-million 2-year-old at Fasig Florida last year, won first time out like he was going to be a really good horse, but he ran poorly as favorite in his second start, and Coolmore has now sent him from the States to Aidan O'Brien at Ballydoyle. Outside the top 12, we had the first appearance on the radar screens for Airdrie's two-time California Grade I winner **Brother Derek**. This was another Baffert 3-year-old, named Zee Bros, a \$270,000 2-year-old purchase for Zayat Stables. He broke his maiden at Santa Anita over seven furlongs, earning a lofty Beyer 101.

As we were saying last week, the European turf season is only just getting underway (or not, depending on the snowdrifts), but Saturday is Dubai World Cup day as well as the GI Florida Derby and Gil Louisiana Derby.

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Darley's Raven's Pass (Elusive Quality), who stands in Ireland at Kildangan, was third on the 2012 European freshman sire list, when he had G2 Royal Lodge S. winner and G1 Racing Post Trophy third, Steeler. Raven's Pass has been busy in Dubai this winter: he has two listed winners there, Secret Number (he'll be one of the favorites for the G2 UAE Derby this Saturday) and the filly Lovely Pass, as well as group-placed Snowboarder (also in Saturday's UAE Derby), all for the Godolphin team. Raven's Pass has racked up over \$470,000 in earnings already this year, which makes him the leading European second-crop sire in that respect.

His old rival on the racetrack, Coolmore's Henrythenavigator (Kingmambo), moves to Ireland this year from Kentucky. He had two Grade I/Group 1 winners last year, Pedro the Great in Ireland and George Vancouver won the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf. 'Henry' was leading freshman sire in North America, and number two in Europe. He had four group horses for the Coolmore team last term, and the indications always were the best of might be a colt called Cristoforo Colombo, who was third in the G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot to Dawn Approach, but then hit soft ground and bad luck and ended up not yet a black-type winner. He has been backed into second favorite for the G1 English 2000 Guineas, suggesting he could be number one for the Ballydoyle battalions who could contest that race.

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But the favorite for that race is unbeaten Dawn Approach, from the first crop by Darley's New Approach (Galileo), champion European 2-year-old of 2007, winner of the 2008 G1 Epsom Derby (having previously been beaten twice at a mile by Henrythenavigator in the G1 English and Irish 2000 Guineas), and sire of three Royal Ascot 2-year-old black-type winners, including Dawn Approach, in his first crop last year. He was leading freshman sire in Europe, over 'Henry' and Raven's Pass. I've never seen a sire have three 2-year-old winners in his first crop at Royal Ascot; it's unprecedented. Between New Approach, Henrythenavigator, and Ravens Pass, there should be some very loud fireworks from this group of European second-crop sires over the next few weeks.

The supporting cast of European second-crop sires is pretty impressive, too, featuring the likes of Shadwell's **Tamayuz**, champion 3-year-old miler in France and number four on the 2012 European first-crop sire list; Coolmore's **Duke of Marmalade**, who's had four black-type horses this month, including two Listed winners in France; and England's Newsells Park's **Mount Nelson**, who had a top-five European 2-year-old filly in Purr Along and looks like a sire whose runners will improve as 3-year-olds.

There's a group of promising young sires in France also, including **Falco**; **Sageburg** (Johannesburg--another one!); **Spirit One**, the G1 Arlington Million winner; Literato, who had two runners in yesterday's Listed Prix La Camargo); **Astronomer Royal** and **Linngari**. Stay tuned; a lot could happen here.

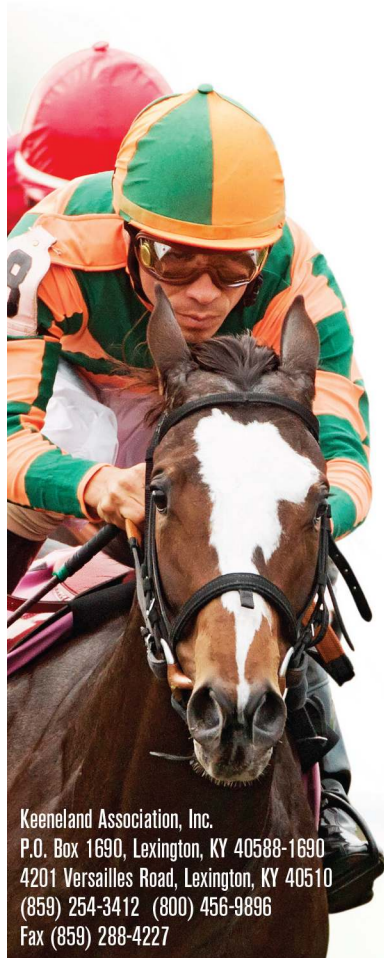
**Signs of the Times...**

For those who like to follow breeding trends (and who doesn't?), check out the one-two-three from Sunday's G3 Park Express S., for 3-year-old and up fillies and mares, over a mile on heavy ground (winner's time: 1:56.1--that is heavy) at the Curragh. The winner was the 3-year-old filly Rehn's Nest, part of a four-timer for Teofilo, New Approach, and Dawn Approach's trainer, Jim Bolger. Rehn's Nest is by Authorized (son of Montjeu) out of a Galileo mare--3x3 Sadler's Wells. Second: the 4-year-old filly Yellow Rosebud, by Jeremy (son of Danehill Dancer) out of a Green Desert mare--4x3 Danzig. Third: 3-year-old filly Starbright, by Duke of Marmalade out of a Galileo mare--Danzig over Sadler's Wells. Inbred to Sadler's Wells; inbred to Danzig; Danzig over Sadler's Wells. The purists may not like all this inbreeding and crisscrossing, but you know what?--it works.

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**Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (G1)**

\$750,000 3-Year-Olds  
1 1/8 miles to be run April 13  
Nomination fee: \$1,000

**Maker's 46 Mile (G1)**

\$300,000 4-Year-Olds and Up  
1 mile (turf) to be run April 12  
Nomination fee: \$150

**Madison (G1)**

\$300,000 4-Year-Olds and Up, Fillies & Mares  
7 furlongs to be run April 13  
Nomination fee: \$150

**Jenny Wiley (G1)**

\$300,000, 4-Year-Olds and Up, Fillies & Mares  
1 1/16 miles (turf) to be run April 13  
Nomination fee: \$150

**Commonwealth (G3)**

\$175,000 4-Year-Olds and Up  
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Nomination fee: \$100

**Shakertown (G3)**

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Nomination fee: \$100

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							Sold	Average	Median	
1	A.P. INDY	1	1	1,100,000	1,100,000	0	1,100,000	9	466,111	335,000
2	BERNARDINI	7	4	823,750	800,000	1,600,000	0	41	249,976	170,000
3	SMART STRIKE	5	5	584,600	300,000	1,800,000	700,000	34	238,284	170,000
4	FLATTER	1	1	480,000	480,000	480,000	0	31	42,724	35,000
5	WAR FRONT	5	4	462,500	467,500	600,000	0	32	230,724	204,550
6	TAPIT	6	4	432,500	447,500	625,000	575,000	59	260,515	260,000
7	MEDAGLIA D'ORO	2	2	425,000	425,000	500,000	350,000	33	299,310	200,000
8	MALIBU MOON	18	10	359,500	335,000	675,000	625,000	75	151,013	130,000
9	DISCREET CAT	4	3	348,333	410,000	410,000	425,000	33	40,827	27,000
10	HENRYTHENAVIGATOR	1	1	310,000	310,000	0	310,000	49	69,412	45,000
11	PULPIT	2	2	305,000	305,000	560,000	0	21	145,000	100,000
12	TIZNOW	5	4	303,750	270,000	525,000	190,000	40	181,800	145,000
13	OLD FASHIONED	6	4	263,750	230,000	500,000	300,000	50	60,440	49,000
14	BELLAMY ROAD	1	1	260,000	260,000	0	260,000	11	68,273	65,000
15	CONGRATS	4	3	258,333	200,000	400,000	200,000	27	42,804	27,000
16	BIRDSTONE	2	2	253,500	253,500	475,000	32,000	35	67,114	45,000
17	KITTEN'S JOY	5	3	243,333	260,000	260,000	0	42	63,055	50,000
18	DIXIE UNION	10	7	242,143	230,000	260,000	485,000	55	98,314	70,000
19	ARTIE SCHILLER	1	1	240,000	240,000	0	240,000	29	51,969	25,000
20	BROKEN VOW	5	4	232,500	220,000	260,000	370,000	46	79,394	56,000
20	ROMAN RULER	5	4	232,500	220,000	400,000	0	57	43,344	25,000
22	SPEIGHTSTOWN	3	3	231,667	285,000	330,000	80,000	31	146,661	110,000
23	MIDNIGHT LUTE	1	1	230,000	230,000	230,000	0	35	31,734	20,000
24	EMPIRE MAKER	6	3	226,667	280,000	300,000	280,000	37	263,351	180,000
25	COWBOY CAL	3	2	222,500	222,500	410,000	35,000	53	25,753	20,000
26	SCAT DADDY	2	1	220,000	220,000	220,000	0	25	77,940	50,000
27	UNBRIDLED'S SONG	8	7	201,429	160,000	500,000	270,000	42	184,905	140,000
28	EXCHANGE RATE	5	5	199,000	195,000	375,000	195,000	38	97,401	75,000
29	GHOSTZAPPER	4	4	197,500	142,500	475,000	135,000	25	76,763	47,000
30	HIGH COTTON	3	3	196,667	130,000	0	340,000	16	34,594	24,500
31	INDIAN CHARLIE	4	3	185,000	195,000	195,000	210,000	33	143,576	90,000
31	STREET CRY (IRE)	1	1	185,000	185,000	185,000	0	19	330,000	200,000
33	DUNKIRK	7	7	184,286	160,000	575,000	50,000	61	33,184	25,000
34	HEATSEEKER (IRE)	1	1	180,000	180,000	180,000	0	15	21,809	12,000
34	CLOSING ARGUMENT	2	1	180,000	180,000	180,000	0	6	17,367	10,500
36	HARLAN'S HOLIDAY	8	7	171,429	130,000	250,000	325,000	64	89,881	75,000
37	MORE THAN READY	4	1	170,000	170,000	0	170,000	35	110,823	90,000
38	ZENSATIONAL	7	5	169,000	195,000	230,000	75,000	42	62,190	45,000
39	HOLY BULL	1	1	165,000	165,000	0	165,000	20	32,934	22,500
40	A. P. WARRIOR	1	1	160,000	160,000	0	160,000	5	13,300	8,500
40	KEYED ENTRY	3	1	160,000	160,000	160,000	0	13	10,877	7,000
40	PUT IT BACK	1	1	160,000	160,000	160,000	0	8	24,953	22,500
40	U S RANGER	2	1	160,000	160,000	160,000	0	27	38,126	20,000
44	HENNY HUGHES	5	4	158,750	145,000	300,000	60,000	39	29,896	23,000
45	ELUSIVE QUALITY	4	4	157,500	130,000	275,000	95,000	48	105,702	75,000
46	GRAND SLAM	4	2	155,000	155,000	210,000	0	35	43,663	30,000
47	ANY GIVEN SATURDAY	2	2	152,500	152,500	180,000	0	35	32,383	20,000
48	UTOPIA (JPN)	1	1	150,000	150,000	150,000	0	17	17,735	15,000



48	LATENT HEAT	2	1	150,000	150,000	150,000	0	22	19,623	15,000
50	PIONEER OF THE NILE	6	4	148,750	97,500	50,000	350,000	51	78,261	60,000
51	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	2	1	145,000	145,000	145,000	0	50	151,418	100,000
52	TALE OF THE CAT	8	6	144,167	137,500	160,000	220,000	42	75,837	46,075
53	MR. GREELEY	7	7	139,286	130,000	150,000	270,000	41	75,287	65,000
54	STREET SENSE	8	5	137,000	100,000	300,000	80,000	46	102,151	95,000
55	CURLIN	6	4	136,750	117,500	42,000	270,000	54	69,935	44,000
56	BIG BROWN	4	3	136,667	150,000	150,000	150,000	38	75,605	41,000
57	TEUFLESBERG	1	1	135,000	135,000	135,000	0	3	49,333	55,000
57	ENGLISH CHANNEL	1	1	135,000	135,000	135,000	0	37	35,062	20,000
57	FLOWER ALLEY	2	2	135,000	135,000	175,000	0	30	45,767	33,500
57	FREUD	3	3	135,000	145,000	170,000	0	24	39,083	33,500
61	TIZ WONDERFUL	9	4	133,000	120,000	250,000	42,000	45	40,978	35,000
62	MINESHAFT	4	2	132,500	132,500	140,000	0	41	62,427	40,000
63	HARD SPUN	4	3	132,333	125,000	200,000	125,000	46	101,570	60,000
64	D'WILDCAT	4	4	130,750	100,000	300,000	55,000	22	19,465	11,500
65	IT'S NO JOKE	1	1	130,000	130,000	0	130,000	1	50,000	50,000
65	EVEN THE SCORE	1	1	130,000	130,000	130,000	0	13	46,692	25,000
65	PROUD CITIZEN	3	3	130,000	130,000	160,000	130,000	16	59,613	43,500
68	YES IT'S TRUE	8	6	129,167	112,500	150,000	325,000	42	42,399	32,000
69	BORREGO	1	1	125,000	125,000	125,000	0	20	17,725	9,750
70	INTO MISCHIEF	4	2	122,500	122,500	130,000	115,000	9	24,278	22,000
71	NORTHERN AFLEET	5	3	121,667	120,000	120,000	210,000	31	36,432	25,000
72	DIXIE CHATTER	2	2	117,500	117,500	85,000	150,000	7	38,966	33,000
73	KODIAK KOWBOY	1	1	115,000	115,000	0	115,000	36	32,117	21,000
74	CANDY RIDE (ARG)	4	3	113,333	100,000	100,000	200,000	55	83,991	50,000
75	CORINTHIAN	2	1	110,000	110,000	0	110,000	50	23,864	15,000
76	STREET BOSS	9	8	106,250	95,000	85,000	225,000	42	62,386	50,000
77	COLONEL JOHN	11	7	105,714	80,000	200,000	160,000	52	89,567	75,000
78	BROTHER DEREK	1	1	105,000	105,000	105,000	0	17	40,235	30,000
79	WILKO	1	1	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	9	2,901	2,000
79	SUCCESSFUL APPEAL	1	1	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	23	28,713	25,000
79	SPRING AT LAST	1	1	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	20	29,220	19,250
79	INCLUDE	1	1	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	8	48,500	51,000
83	STORM WOLF	1	1	95,000	95,000	95,000	0	3	14,567	3,500
83	OFFICER	1	1	95,000	95,000	95,000	0	8	22,375	23,500
85	SKY MESA	5	5	93,000	100,000	130,000	100,000	56	72,212	52,000
86	UNUSUAL HEAT	3	2	91,500	91,500	150,000	0	10	84,050	37,500
87	MAJESTIC WARRIOR	1	1	90,000	90,000	90,000	0	32	58,750	42,500
87	HORSE GREELEY	2	2	90,000	90,000	115,000	0	12	25,658	14,500
89	IN SUMMATION	3	2	85,000	85,000	110,000	0	18	18,550	15,000
90	CITY ZIP	6	4	82,500	95,000	100,000	100,000	48	43,958	36,000
91	STORMY ATLANTIC	4	3	82,333	70,000	0	130,000	36	77,296	67,500
92	NOONMARK	3	3	81,667	95,000	100,000	50,000	12	18,817	12,250
93	OFFLEE WILD	1	1	80,000	80,000	80,000	0	35	18,032	11,000
93	ZANJERO	1	1	80,000	80,000	0	80,000	16	12,438	10,000
95	FUSAICHI PEGASUS	2	2	77,500	77,500	100,000	0	19	22,737	20,000
96	INDYGO SHINER	3	2	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	48	29,066	21,500
96	WAR PASS	2	1	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	35	41,514	30,000
96	AFLEET ALEX	3	3	75,000	65,000	130,000	65,000	59	46,190	22,000
96	BEDFORD FALLS	1	1	75,000	75,000	0	75,000	4	14,625	11,500
96	BENNY THE BULL	1	1	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	15	9,387	7,000

Sales reflected in this report: 2013 Barretts March Sale of Selected Two Year Olds in Training, 2013 Fasig Tipton Florida Two Year Olds In Training Sale, 2013 Ocala Breeders Sales Company Selected Two Year Olds In Training.



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TOP 15 FRESHMAN SIRES OF 2-YEAR-OLDS IN TRAINING BY AVERAGE

Rank by Average Price	Ring	Sold	Average	Median	Top Colt	Top Filly	2012 Yearling Sales			
							Sold	Average	Median	
1	OLD FASHIONED	6	4	263,750	230,000	500,000	300,000	50	60,440	49,000
2	COWBOY CAL	3	2	222,500	222,500	410,000	35,000	53	25,753	20,000
3	DUNKIRK	7	7	184,286	160,000	575,000	50,000	61	33,184	25,000
4	ZENSATIONAL	7	5	169,000	195,000	230,000	75,000	42	62,190	45,000
5	U S RANGER	2	1	160,000	160,000	160,000	0	27	38,126	20,000
6	PIONEEROF THE NILE	6	4	148,750	97,500	50,000	350,000	51	78,261	60,000
7	DIXIE CHATTER	2	2	117,500	117,500	85,000	150,000	7	38,966	33,000
8	KODIAK KOWBOY	1	1	115,000	115,000	0	115,000	36	32,117	21,000
9	COLONEL JOHN	11	7	105,714	80,000	200,000	160,000	52	89,567	75,000
10	IN SUMMATION	3	2	85,000	85,000	110,000	0	18	18,550	15,000
11	NOONMARK	3	3	81,667	95,000	100,000	50,000	12	18,817	12,250
12	BENNY THE BULL	1	1	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	15	9,387	7,000
13	PARADING	3	1	70,000	70,000	70,000	0	19	27,500	15,000
14	DENIS OF CORK	1	1	60,000	60,000	60,000	0	5	10,900	10,000
15	VISIONAIRE	1	1	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	12	15,896	14,580

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**Eastern U.S.**

**Yesterday's Results:**

**LANGHORNE S.**, \$72,810, PRX, 3-26, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17 4/5, my.

1--**#IRISH EXCHANGE**, 118, f, 4, [Exchange Rate--Silver n Satin, by Silver Deputy](#). (\$40,000 wlng '09 KEENOV; \$160,000 2yo '11 FTMMAY). O-Stony Brook Stables; B-At Last Farm LLC (MD); T-Guadalupe Preciado; J-Kendrick Carmouche. \$44,300. Lifetime Record: 16-5-2-4, \$177,265. \* 1/2 to Sterling Vow (Broken Vow), SW, \$157,128.

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2--**Los Ojitos**, 118, f, 4, Mr. Greeley--Warrior Girl, by War Chant. (\$50,000 yrl '10 KEESEP). O-Marc C Ferrell Racing Stable. \$15,100.

3--**Promise Me a Cat**, 118, m, 5, D'wildcat--Promise Me Magic, by Pentelicus. (\$16,000 yrl '09 OBSAUG; \$70,000 2yo '10 OBSFEB). O-Blue Devil Racing Stable (Holliday). \$8,530.

Another **Ingordo Bloodstock** 2YO Purchase

Margins: 5 3/4, NK, 5. Odds: 3.60, 1.20, 1.30.

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Irish Exchange was making her stakes bow here after annexing a first-level allowance Jan. 24 and a \$25,000 optional tagger Feb. 13, both at Laurel, respectively. Facing only three rivals here, she jumped on top, but was content to stalk while three wide. She made her move to stick her head in front on the turn for home and powered clear in the stretch to win for fun.



**Irish Exchange**  
Equi-Photo



**Monday's Late Results:**

**7th-MNR**, \$19,400, Msw, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:44 4/5, sy. + **REAL AWESOME** (g, 4, [Awesome Again--Real Rose, by Skip Trial](#)) shipped from Laurel Park, where he breezed three furlongs in :37 1/5 two days before this start. Off at 5-2, he set the early pace and was a head in front between horses at the half-mile marker. He came four wide off the turn and pulled away in the stretch to win by 1 1/4 lengths over Colby Tavern (Purge). Sales history: \$37,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,640. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#). O-Stonach Stables. B-Adena Springs (ON). T-Jose Corrales.

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**Saratoga Announces Hoofprints Walk of Fame:**

*Edited Press Release*

The New York Racing Association and the Saratoga 150 Committee announced a new attraction designed to pay homage to the most accomplished Thoroughbreds to compete at Saratoga Race Course during its 150-year history.

The Saratoga Hoofprints Walk of Fame will honor the most prolific and notable horses to have raced at one of the nation's most historic tracks. Modeled after the Hollywood Walk of Fame, the attraction celebrates the 150th anniversary of thoroughbred racing at Saratoga Race Course.

Saratoga 150 Committee Honorary Chairs Marylou Whitney and John Hendrickson were joined by Committee Chairman Charles Wait and several senior executives from NYRA to announce the inaugural class of honorees today at the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame in Saratoga Springs. The inductees were announced during a live draw utilizing the Whitney family trophy won by Equipoise in the 1932 Whitney Handicap.

"Celebrating 150 years since the birth of racing would not have been complete unless we honored the historic athletes who helped make Saratoga Race Course the number one race track in the country," said Hendrickson. **cont. p2**

**STAKES NOMINATIONS CLOSE MARCH 27**



**TOYOTA BLUE GRASS STAKES (G1)**

3-year-olds at 1 1/8 miles to be run on Saturday, April 13

- \$750,000 purse
- Nomination fee: \$1,000



**CENTRAL BANK ASHLAND STAKES (G1)**

3-year-old fillies at 1 1/16 miles to be run on Saturday, April 6

- \$500,000 purse
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**SPRING MEET APRIL 5-26**



**New York report cont.**

"I always thought there should be some way to recognize the real stars of the sport and the Hoofprints Walk of Fame will be a unique and educational retrospective of our history," Hendrickson continued.

"I hope future generations will be inspired and humbled to see the hoofprints of some of the greatest athletes that have ever lived," added Whitney.

"Saratoga was fortunate to host these amazing stars."

The Hoofprints Walk of Fame will be installed in the walkway outside the Clubhouse gates at Saratoga Race Course and will feature an inaugural class of 30 horses. Each Thoroughbred will be honored on a granite plaque alongside the names of its sire, dam, owner, trainer, and jockey. The plaques will also feature the horse's year of birth and signature wins at Saratoga Race Course.

"The Hoofprints Walk of Fame is a true testament to the unsurpassed level of history and outstanding sportsmanship that has taken place in the last 150 years at Saratoga Race Course," said Rodnell Workman, vice president and chief marketing officer for NYRA. "NYRA is honored to help assemble a tribute worthy of our outstanding equine athletes and their contributions to 150 years of racing at Saratoga."

## INDUSTRY INFO

**Julie Cauthen Joins Keeneland Administration:**

Julie Cauthen has been named as Director of Owner and Client Development at Keeneland. In her newly created role, she will be responsible for expanding Keeneland's efforts to bring new owners into the industry and maintain relationships with existing Keeneland clients.

"Julie is the perfect fit for this position," said Walt Robertson, Keeneland's Vice President of Sales. "She is a knowledgeable horseperson who is well known and well respected in our industry. She has just the right skill set to help us take our continued commitment to expanding Thoroughbred ownership in the United States to even greater heights."

Cauthen was the Chief Operating Officer of Donegal Racing, where she managed the day-to-day operations of the racing syndicate.

"Julie has been a full partner with Donegal Racing since its inception and has been instrumental in our extraordinary success," said Jerry Crawford, CEO of Donegal Racing. "While we will miss her tremendously at Donegal, this is an amazing opportunity for her to have her dream job, working with the great team at Keeneland."

Cauthen, a fourth-generation horseman who grew up in Midway, Ky, will join the Keeneland team Apr. 4.

"This is such a wonderful opportunity for me," said Cauthen. "I literally grew up at Keeneland, handling horses for my family at the sales and attending the races. Now, to be a part of that storied team, is almost too good to be true."

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**Keeneland, Cross Gate Gallery Form New Company:**  
*Edited Press Release*

The Sporting Art Auction, a new company formed by Keeneland Association and Cross Gate Gallery, will host an inaugural Sporting Art Auction in November 2013 at the Keeneland Sales Pavilion. The auction will include approximately 200 high-quality lots focusing on modern British and American sporting painters and sculptors in addition to select works by renowned 19th century artists. The auction collection is being curated by Cross Gate owner Greg Ladd. "This Sporting Art Auction has the potential to become the most important of its kind in the world," said Ladd. "We have all the right elements to make it a success--a world-class venue in Keeneland which provides in-house expertise in conducting major auctions, and the ability to reach the most enthusiastic sporting art collectors in the world through Keeneland's racing and sales clientele." Ladd already has successfully secured two major pieces for the November auction, including 'Blue Prince,' a 26 1/2" x 39 1/2" painting by Sir Alfred Munnings, commissioned by owner and breeder Walter Jeffords. "Greg is widely recognized as one of the world's experts on sporting art, so we are fortunate to partner with someone of his caliber on this project," said Walt Robertson, Keeneland's Vice President of Sales. Keeneland's proceeds from this art auction will benefit its non-profit initiatives, including the Keeneland Library Foundation.



**Blue Prince by Sir Alfred Munnings**



# ROOKIES

## First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, March 27

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2009 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

**COWTOWN CAT** (Distorted Humor), Journeyman, \$8K, 72/16/0

10-GP, Msw, 5fT, Ramsey Branch, \$105K OBS APR 2yo, 8-1

**FROST GIANT** (Giant's Causeway), Empire Stud, \$5K, 57/14/2

6-AQU, Msw, 6 1/2f, Go Giant Bry Go, 12-1

**MIRACLE MAN** (Yankee Victor), 6/0/0

6-AQU, Msw, 6 1/2f, Quiet Miracle, 50-1

**NOTIONAL** (In Excess {Ire}), Spendthrift, \$10K, 118/9/1

9-FG, Msw, 6f, Southern Nights, \$10K OBS OPN 2yo, 3-1

**ROAD RULER** (Unbridled's Song), 51/5/0

9-HAW, Alw, 6f, Brick House Road, 5-1

**SALUTE THE SARGE** (Forest Wildcat), Walmac, \$8K, 78/19/1

6-WRD, Alw, 1m, Downtowncarolbrown, \$5K RNA OKL SUM yrl, 2-1

**STREET HERO** (Street Cry {Ire}), Vinery, \$5K, 78/14/1

10-GP, Msw, 5fT, Gottagetgoin, \$32K OBS APR 2yo, 20-1

**TIZ WONDERFUL** (Tiznow), Spendthrift, \$13K, 207/24/1

4-FG, Msw, 5 1/2fT, Merveilleuse, \$40K FTK JUL yrl, 9-2

**WEIGELIA** (Safely's Mark), 33/4/0

10-GP, Msw, 5fT, +Truth in Action, 12-1

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### IN BRITAIN:

**Corn Snow**, c, 3, **Raven's Pass**. See "Britain."

### IN SINGAPORE:

**Jet Man**, c, 3, **Indy Wind**--Looks So Good, by Fortunate

Prospect. Kranji, 3-24, Restricted Maiden, 1200m

(AWT), 1:11.68. B-Dr & Mrs Cornelius A Link (FL).

\*Formerly Looks So Windy. \*\*\$7,500 yrl '11

OBSAUG; \$30,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR.

## Europe

### READY-TO-RUN SALE KICKS OFF BREEZE-UP SEASON

Europe's Breeze-Up jamboree begins at Kempton racecourse today, with Goffs staging their annual Ready-To-Run Sale. Much interest will surround the representatives of first-crop sires Bushranger (Ire), Dandy Man (Ire), Intense Focus and Myboycharlie (Ire). Early highlights including Bansha House Stables's daughter of Dubawi (Ire), whose dam is a half to the 2005 G1 St Leger runner-up The Geezer (GB) (Halling) consigned as hip [1](#); Lynn Lodge Stud's hip [15](#), a Henrythenavigator half-brother to the dual Grade II winner and Grade I-placed Tres Borrachos (Ecton Park); and Gaybrook Lodge's hip [22](#), an English Channel son of the graded stakes scorer Raw Gold (Rahy), who has already produced the stakes performers Kadira (Kafwain) and Hidden Value (Value Plus).

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The latter sire is also represented by Katie Walsh's hip [61](#), a son of the Grade I-placed Antahkarana (Dynaformer), who has produced four winners from four runners so far. Another notable U.S.-based sire with a colt on show is US Ranger, whose hip [83](#) from Old French Furze Stables is a half-brother to three winners out of a stakes-winning dam. Goffs Chief Executive Henry Beeby commented, "We are delighted that following the huge success of the Ready-To-Run Sale over the past two years, vendors have once again supported us with a superb collection of ready-made winners. Last year's sale pumped out winners right throughout the season and we believe there is much more to come from the 2013 catalogue." Breezing gets underway on the Polytrack at 10 a.m., with selling starting at 3 p.m. in the Panoramic Restaurant. For full catalogue and updates, see [www.goffs.com](http://www.goffs.com).

### • ON THE WORKTAB •

#### KEENELAND

Wise Dan (Wiseman's Ferry), 6f, 1:12.40, 1/4  
Turallure (Wando), 6f, 1:13, 2/4

#### PAYSON PARK TRAINING CENTER

Tokyo Time (Medaglio d'Oro), 4f, 50.00, 6/12

#### SANTA ANITA

Jimmy Creed (Distorted Humor), 6f, 1:14.30, 3/9

#### TAMPA BAY DOWNS

Awesome Belle (Awesome Of Course), 4f, :48.80, 2/16



## France

### Yesterday's Results:

**PRIX LA CAMARGO-Listed**, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-26, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:48.40, vsf.

1--**ALTERITE (FR)**, 126, f, 3, by **Literato (Fr)**

1st Dam: **Ana Luna (GB)**, by **Dream Well (Fr)**

2nd Dam: **Lunaba (Fr)**, by **Anabaa**

3rd Dam: **Lunassa (Fr)**, by **Groom Dancer**

O-Martin Schwartz; B-Ecurie La Vallee Martigny; T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Christophe Soumillon; €27,500. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, 6 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €105,490.

2--**Beatrice (GB)**, 126, f, 3, Dr Fong--Brangane (Ire), by Anita's Prince (Ire). (€14,000 RNA yrl '11 BBASEP).

O/B-Alexandre Pereira; T-Henri-Alex Pantall; €11,000.

3--**Anazone (Ire)**, 126, f, 3, Anabaa--Ozone Bere (Fr), by Verglas (Ire). O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul; T-Frederic Rossi; €8,250.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 0.80, 16.00, 2.00.

Also Ran: Dauphine Russe (Fr), Kenbella (Fr), Zoya (Fr). Third when last seen in the G1 Prix Marcel Boussac over this trip at Longchamp in October, Alterite made light work of this early trial for the May 12 G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches. Settled last of all by a typically confident Christophe Soumillon, the bay was delivered wide in the stretch and quickly established her dominion passing the 300-meter marker. Pushed out from there, she had a comfortable margin to spare over Beatrice as she added a second success to her tally at this level after her prior exploits in the Listed Criterium de l'Ouest at Craon in September. "She had been doing well throughout the winter and was ready to go, but I hadn't pressed her in the mornings, so that was a nice introduction," trainer Jean-Claude Rouget commented. "She won very well and the plan is to keep her fresh and head straight for the Pouliches." [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Click for Equidia VIDEO.](#)



## BRIS Speed Ratings

### Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Twilight Eclipse	Purim	Pan American S.-G2	111
L. A. Weekend	Tribal Rule	Coyote H.	105
Last Gunfighter	First Samurai	Excelsior S.-G3	105
Sky Kingdom	Empire Maker	Tokyo City Cup S.-G3	102
Laurie's Rocket	Bluegrass Cat	Hot Springs S.	100
Bold Affair	Two Punch	Conniver S.	99
Govenor Charlie	Midnight Lute	Sunland Derby-G3	99
Isn't He Clever	Smarty Jones	Bill Thomas Memorial S.	99
Midnight Lucky	Midnight Lute	Sunland Park Oaks	98
Silsita	Macho Uno	Fathead Bourbonette Oaks-G3	98
Black Onyx	Rock Hard Ten	Horseshoe Casino Spiral S.-G3	96
Awesome Vision	Awesome Again	Compelling Word S.	95
Saginaw	Peruvian	Compelling Word S.	95
Agent Di Nozzo	Ghostzapper	Borgata S.	94
Crop Report	Medaglia d'Oro	Team Valor Rushaway S.	94
Divine Lorretta	Mutakddim	Red Camelia S.	94
Tiz Flirtatious	Tizbud	Santa Ana S.-G2	94
Rose's Desert	Desert God	La Coneja S.	90
Kaminari	First Samurai	Gold Coast S.	86
Freud's Notebook	Freud	Sonia's Scamp S.	85
Back Seat Roll	Roll Hennessy Roll	New Mexico Breeders' Oaks	84
African Rose	Bwana Charlie	Harry Henson H.	81
Hush's Storm	Attila's Storm	New Mexico Breeder's Derby	81

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**PRIX OMNIUM II-Listed**, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-26, 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:47.72, vsf.

1--**#WIRE TO WIRE (FR)**, 128, c, 3, by **Observatory**

1st Dam: **Sachet**, by **Royal Academy**

2nd Dam: **Miss Demure (Ire)**, by **Shy Groom**

3rd Dam: **Larosterna (GB)**, by **Busted (GB)**

O-Ecurie I M Fares; B-Haras de Manneville; T-Jean-Claude Rouget; J-Christophe Soumillon; €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €55,700.

2--**Le Ring (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, Slickly (Fr)--Joha (Fr), by Johann Quatz (Fr). O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul; T-Frederic Rossi; €11,000.

3--**Princedargent (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, Kendargent (Fr)--Norwegian Princess (Ire), by Fairy King. O/B-Guy Pariente; T-Henri-Alex Pantall; €8,250.

Margins: 1, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.00, 19.00, 26.00. Also Ran: Pont Marie (Fr), Son Bou (GB), Onedargent (Fr), Atomic Bere (Fr), Hernan Cortez (Fr), Far Afield (GB).

On a roll after conditions scores over this trip at Lyon-Parilly in October and at this track the following month, Wire To Wire took the step into listed company in his stride to continue the irresistible momentum of the Rouget stable. Restrained with only three behind early by Christophe Soumillon, the bay sliced through the pack to gain the advantage passing the furlong pole and was not asked a serious question en route to a cozy score. "He is not the easiest to be around, but he won quite comfortably," his conditioner said. "We really have no plan at the moment and we'll see how he comes out of this before we make a decision." [Click for the Racing Post result.](#) [Click for Equidia VIDEO.](#)

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## Britain

### O'SULLEVAN SUFFERS STROKE

The legendary Sir Peter O'Sullivan suffered a mild stroke on Sunday night, it was announced yesterday. The 95-year-old famed ex-commentator, or "Voice of British Racing" as he is known, is undergoing tests at London's Charing Cross Hospital in London. Nigel Payne, who runs O'Sullivan's charitable trust, commented, "Sir Peter is obviously a bit down, but he is in very good hands and everything is being done for him. I don't think it is over-serious, but at the same time when anybody of that age has a stroke it has to be a concern."

### Yesterday's Results:

**Lingfield, 14.50, Mdn, £3,000, 3-4yo, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:06.54, stn.**

+ **WARRIGAL (IRE) (c, 3, Mount Nelson {GB}--Waldblume {Ger}, by Halling)**, sent off the 5-2 second favorite, stalked the early pace before gaining the lead approaching the furlong pole. Shaken up from there, the 22,000gns TATDEC weanling and €42,000 GOFSP yearling scored by 1 1/2 lengths from Continental Divide (Ire) (Kheleyf). Maughami (GB) (Manduro {Ger}), the half-sister to Distant Way (Distant View), looked in need of further and made late ground to be fourth. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,045. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)

O-Yvonne Jacques; B-Newsells Park Stud; T-Jeremy Nosedá.

**Southwell, 15.00, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:42.69, stn.**

**CORN SNOW (c, 3, Raven's Pass--Zofzig, by Danzig)**, not seen since trailing in a Brighton maiden in August, missed the kick but soon recovered to stalk the pace. Sent to the head of affairs with over a quarter mile remaining, the 9-4 second favorite forged clear for a seven-length success from Una Bella Cosa (GB) (Dubai Destination). The winner, who is out of a half-sister to GISW Zaftig (Gone West), is a half to Zip Top (Ire) (Smart Strike), G1SP-Eng, \$102,289. His second dam is GISW Zoftig (Cozzene). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, £2,727. [VIDEO, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Mark Johnston.

## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-MNR, \$25,300, 3-25, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:08 4/5, sy.**

**MR. ETHAN (g, 5, Emancipator--Fancy Feet Stacey, by Kokand)** Lifetime Record: 32-3-2-2, \$64,354. O/T-Alfred H Scott Jr. B-UpInFront Stables LLC (WV).

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Russkiy Lemon, f, 3, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--Spring Season (GB), by Dansili (GB).** MNR, 3-25, 1m, 1:45 4/5. B-Grand Lodge Pty LTD (KY). \*\$35,000 2yo '12 KEEJAN.

**Miss Back Road, f, 3, [Midway Road](#)--Country Diamond,** by Judge Smells. WRD, 3-26, (S), 1m, 1:43. B-V Jane Jones (OK). \*\$1,500 yrl '11 TEXAUG.

**Silver Streakn Gal, f, 3, [Silver Season](#)--Yoga Gal,** by Regal Classic. SUN, 3-26, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:03 2/5. B-Richard Brunacini & Kay Thurman (NM).

**Added Silver, f, 4, [Added Edge](#)--Silver Delivery,** by Mt. Livermore. WRD, 3-26, 5 1/2f, 1:06. B-Halt's Thoroughbred Corporation (KY).

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Glenreef (GB), f, 3, [Three Valleys](#)--Grand Coral (GB),** by Grand Lodge. Southwell, Britain, 3-26, Mdn, 3-5yo, 1 1/2m (AWT). B-Millsec Limited. \*4,000gns HIT '12 TATDEC; 4,200gns HIT '13 TATFEB.

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